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## Dear Health Care Professional:

Mother's milk is the preferred food for infants. If infant formula becomes necessary, only certain formulas are generally available through the WIC Program. The Kansas WIC Program provides Enfamil w/Iron, Enfamil Lipil w/Iron, Enfamil Lactofree Lipil, Prosobee, or Prosobee Lipil formula for healthy infants from birth through twelve months of age whose mothers choose not to breastfeed or who partially breastfeed. A contract with the Mead Johnson Company for these formulas provides a special price that will help the WIC Program serve more woman, infants and children in Kansas.

Medical conditions may require the use of a special formula for infants, children and women. Federal regulations require documentation describing the medical condition that supports the use of other products. The WIC Program has a list of products that may be issued as "special formulas" to WIC clients. If you would like a copy of the approved products, contact the State WIC Agency at (785) 296-1320. If an infant, child, or a pregnant, breastfeeding or postpartum woman in your care requires a special formula, complete and sign the form on the reverse side of this letter. The request for a special formula must be renewed each WIC certification period. Infants are usually certified until their first birthday. Certification periods for women and children are generally 6 months. A new form is required anytime the special formula is changed.

The American Academy of Pediatric, Committee on Nutrition states there are no known medical contraindications to using iron-fortified formulas in formula-fed infants [Pediatrics. 1999, pp 119-123]. In support of the above statement, the Kansas WIC Program will only provide low iron formula in extremely rare circumstances and only for specific conditions.

Thank you for your cooperation and interest in good nutrition. Please call your local WIC clinic, if you would like further information on requesting special formulas

## KANSAS WIC SPECIAL FORMULA ISSUANCE

Client Name				Date of Birth				
Parent/Guardian Name								
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Formula (brand name of the formula requested)								
The diagnosis must support the issuance of the formula requested.								
ACCEPTABLE DIAG			1			Please note: The Kansas WIC Program will not authorize		
chronic diarrhea,	persistent vomiting, per	ed with the requested formursistent dermatological con		issuance for:  Nonspecific symptoms, such as				
Metabolic disorder. Specify				intolerance, fussiness, gas, spitting up, constipation or colic.				
Inborn error of amino acid metabolism. Specify								
GI disorder, including malabsorption syndromes. Specify				Baby doing well on (formula name); or				
Allergy, including family history of severe allergies. (Specify: milk, soy, corn, lactose intolerance, other)				A preference for a specific formula.				
Complications of prematurity								
Other diagnosis								
Daily Amount Required. (WIC is a supplemental program and may not be able to issue all requested.)			Length of Time Formula Required					
Physician's Signature					Date			
Physician's Name				Telephone		Fax		
Local WIC Agency		WIC OFFICE USE ONLY						
Telephone Fax		1 <sup>st</sup> month of issuance Last month of iss		ssuance	suance Next certification date			
10.05		CPA signature			Date			
Address		-						